

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SYNOPSIS AGENDA/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CODE:	PL-03
COMMITTEE:	Policy and Legislative
DATE:	April 12, 2016

SUBJECT/TITLE

Dillon School District Four's (District) Waiver Request of State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-205 (R.43-205), Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads

PURPOSE OF REPORT/REGULATION/ITEM

The purpose of this request is to waive non-compliance of R.43-205(IV)(B)(3)(b) for teachers who instruct more than 1,500 minutes per week and for the waiver to apply to the remaining term of the district strategic and school renewal plans.

CRITICAL FACTS

SBE R.43-205(IV)(B)(3)(b) prohibits a teacher from instructing more than 1,500 minutes per week.

The District's secondary teachers instruct for more than 1,500 minutes per week which subsequently cause accreditation deficiencies.

Attempts to reorganize the secondary school schedules would disrupt the existing district strategic and school renewal plans previously implemented under SBE R.43-261, District and School Planning.

The district strategic plan and applicable school renewal plans have been amended to reflect this need.

This waiver would be effective through 2016–17, which is the last year of the District's district strategic and school renewal plan cycle.

TIMELINE/REVIEW PROCESS

October 2015–January 2016	The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) accreditation team reviews school/district data and documentation for compliance to SBE regulations and accreditation standards. The district strategic and the school renewal plans are examined for compliance with the inclusion of the waiver.
February 2016	Preliminary analysis reports and accreditation ratings are posted online for school and district viewing.
February 2016–March 2016	The SCDE accreditation team works with schools and districts to resolve accreditation deficiencies.

April 2016

The 2015–16 Annual Report of the Accreditation of School Districts in South Carolina, containing the final accreditation status for schools and districts, goes to the SBE for approval.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

COST: N/A

FUND/SOURCE: N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Attachments: ☒ yes ☐ no
(attachments must be submitted with synopsis)

Name of Attachments: Dillon School District Four’s Waiver Request of R.43-205

RECOMMENDATION

The SCDE recommends approval of the following motion: “The SBE approves the Dillon School District Four waiver request of SBE R.43-205(IV)(B)(3)(b) for teachers who instruct more than 1,500 minutes per week and for the waiver to apply through 2016–17, which is the remaining term of the district strategic and school renewal plans.”

ACTION REQUEST

FOR APPROVAL: ☒

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: ☐